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The Diplomat is the home of 83E,83U,83AK,83AL,83CG,83CI,83HY,82HL,83IF.

Deadline for all games in this issue is 10:00 pm EST on April 14, 1984.

- 1. Hey, no NMR's this issue. Why don't you give yourselves a pat on the back?
- Players in games with Jeff Hines should be aware that he is moving to Dallas, TX on March 30 and that he does not have his new address for us yet. Also, please note the COA for Rod Gilbert.
- 3. Anyone interested in the Bourse? Just let me know and I'll send you a copy of the rules. Bourse players please note that you cannot "sell short" in a currency, and the restriction about selling only 500 units does not apply to the US dollar.
- 4. Where's the press? Well, if you really enjoy reading GREAT press, not to mention a good letter column, good articles and wonderful contests about Diplomacy, you should really subscribe to The Voice of Doom. Bruce Linsey publishes VD monthly from his home at 73 Ashuelot Street, Apt. 3, Balton MA 01226. Send him a dollar for a sample and I suggest that you send for issue \$93 (March 20, 1984). You see, in that issue is the latest and greatest moments of the infamous RIGEL game. Now, the game isn't bad, but you've got to see the "press war" that goes with it. Yes, my droogs, one dreadful season many months ago, Mr. Rich Reilly and myself declared a "press war". His efforts, along with mine, Steve Knight's, Nelson Heintzman's, Ty Hare's, Greg Ellis's and, of course, Bob Sweeney's gave Bruce no less than 30 pages of press for one game for one season. How can any same person miss out on this hobby's greatest game? Send today. ((Oh, thanks for the game plug Bruce))

STANDBY LIST: Steve Cartier, John Crosby, David Baker, Pat Pakel, Jeff Hines, Matt Fleming (see 1983IF), Bob Sweeney, Craig Mills, Ken Hager, Tony Barbieri. Anyone want on or off?

I'll get alletter of inday on two...

Due

Kissinger, M08%809

Has anyone noticed that Turkey is doing rather well in this game?

AUSTRIA: (Civil Disorder)

ENGLAND: (#01, Phil Senn)

A BOH H.

B F LON, B F EDI, A SWE H, F DEN S A swe, F kie-HOL, F edi-NWB, F lon-NTH, F nat-LPL,

F BRE S italian A mar-gas(nso), F MID S F bre.

FRANCE: (#09, Steve Cartier) GERMANY: (#05, David Baker)

F mid R OTB, A spa R OTB, A VEN-pie, F iri-WAL, A GAS-bre, A PIC S A gas-bre.

R A HOL, F BOT C A pru-fin, F BAL C A pru-fin, A pru-FIN.

ITALY: (\$02, Randy Karmolinski) F tyn R LYG,R F APU,F spa-POR,A mar-BUR,F lyo-MAR, A tyl-pie(d,mun,boh).

RUSSIA: (Civil Disorder)

A STP H.

TURKEY: (#03, J.R. Baker)

B F SMY, B A ANK, B A CON, F nap-ROM, F alb-ADR, A ank-SEV, A vie-TYL, A gal-SIL,

F TYN S F nap-rom, F ion-TUN, F BLA C A ank-sev, A TRI S A vie-tyl, A WAR S A gal-sil,

F smy-AEG, A con-BUL, A bud-VIE.

SAME NOTES: Fall 1909 orders are due.

PROPOSALS: F-T draw fails (2 for, 2 against); G-E-T draw fails (2 for, 2 against); Changing Russian A STP to German A STP fails (2 for, 2 against). There are no new proposals.

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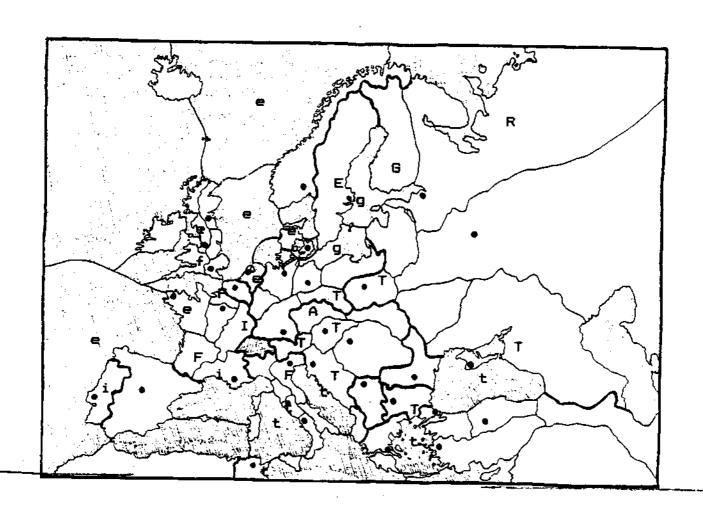
AUSTRIA: 1- SER

ENGLAND: 8- BRE, DEN, EDI, KIE, LON, LPL, NWY, SWE

FRANCE: 3- BEL. PAR. VEN GERMANY: 3- BER, HOL, MUN ITALY: 4- MAR, ROM, SPA, TUN

RUSSIA: 1- STP

TURKEY: 13- ANK, BUD, BUL, CON, GRE, MOS, NAP, RUM, SEV, SMY, TRI, VIE, MAR



1983U - The Machiavelli, FO8

France loses St. Petersburg - southern stalemate looks solid.

FRANCE: (#02, Randy Karmolinski) A bur-MUN, F NAT S F mid, F SPA S F mar, F POR S F spa, F MID S F spa,

F MAR S F spa, F NWY-stp(nc), F BAL S F swe-bot, A GAS S F mar, A RUH S A bur-mun,

A mun-KIE, A oru-sil (d, a), A BER S A pru-sil, A FIN S F nwy-stp(nc), F swe-BOT.

ITALY: (#13, John Crosby)

A war-PRU, A SIL S A war-pru, A 80H S A sil, A TYL-gun, A tri-VIE, A PIE S F lyo-mar,

F_LYO-mar,F aeg-ION,F TUS S F tyn-lyo,F TYN-lyo,F NAF-mid,

F WES S F maf-mid, F TUN S F wes.

RUSSIA: (#04, Pat Pakel)

F bot-STP(sc), A LVN S F bot-stp(sc), A MOS S F bot-stp(sc).

GAME NOTES: Winter 1908 and Spring 1909 orders are due.

PROPOSALS: F-I-R draw fails (1 for, 2 against). F-I draw fails (1 for, 2 against). Concession to France fails (1 for,

2 against). Proposed for next issue: 1) F-I-R draw and 2) Concession to France.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART:

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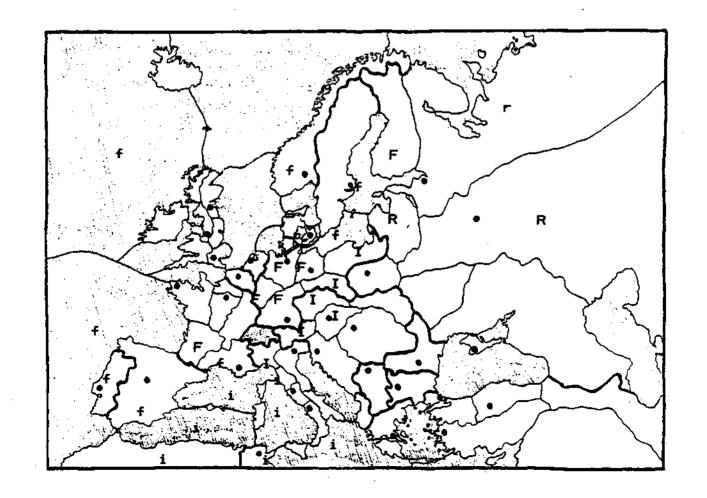
FRANCE: 16- BEL, BER, BRE, DEN, EDI, HOL, KIE, LON, LPL, MAR, MUN, NWY, PAR, POR, SPA, SWE. Build 1 unit.

GERMANY: 0- out.

ITALY: 13- BUD, BUL, CON, GRE, NAP, ROM, RUM, SER, SMY, TRI, TUN, VEN, VIE. Even.

RUSSIA: 5- ANK, MOS, SEV, STP, WAR. Build 2 units.

TURKEY: 0- out.



1983 AK - The Bismarck, FO6

New leaders in Germany and England; Are there any alliances?

ENGLAND: (#06, Matt Fleming) F den-NTH, F nth-LON, F HOL-bel, F swe-SKA, A fin-NWY,

A STP S russian A lvn-aos(nso).

FRANCE: (#21, Rob Schaunk)

A BEL S german F kie-hol(nso), F ENG S A bel, F mid-IRI, A ven-row(d, apu),

A PIE-ven, F wes-MID.

SERMANY: (#42, Ken Hager) F kie-DEN, A RUH S english F hol-bel, A mun-TYL.

ITALY: (#35, Phil Redmond) F TUS-pie, A tyl-VEN.

RUSSIA: (#05, David Baker) A war-MOS,A LVN S A war-mos.

TURKEY: (#13, John Crosby) F NAF S F tun-wes,F tun-WES,F TYN S F nap-rom,F nap-ROM,A TRI S A tyl-ven,A bud-VIE,

A rum-GAL, A bul-SER, A gal-WAR, A UKR S A gal-war, A mos S A gal-war (d, sev), F BLA S.

SAME NOTES: Winter 1906 and Spring 1907 orders are due.

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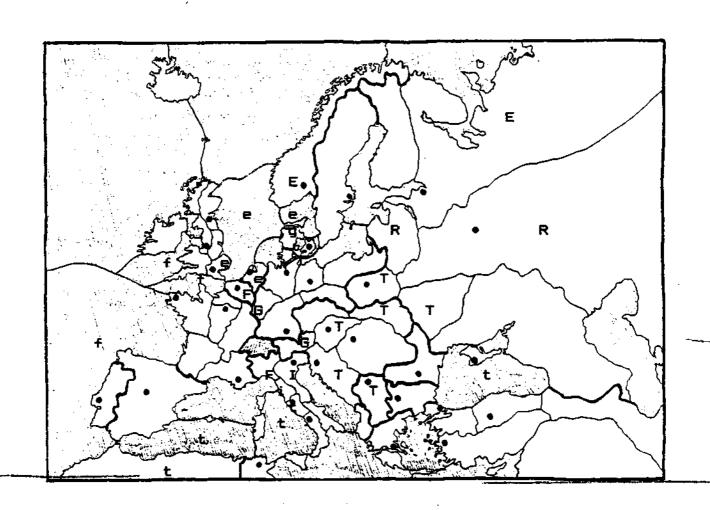
AUSTRIA: 0- out.

ENGLAND: 7- EDI, HOL, LON, LPL, NWY, STP, SWE. Build 1 unit.

FRANCE: 6- BEL, BRE, MAR, PAR, POR, SPA. Even. GERMANY: 4- BER, DEN, KIE, MUN. Build 1 unit.

ITALY: 1- VEN. Remove 1 unit. RUSSIA: 1- SRE. Remove 1 unit.

TURKEY: 15- ANK, BUD, BUL, CON, MOS, NAP, ROM, RUM, SER, SEV, SMY, TRI, TUN, VIE, WAR. Build 3 units.



WOS&SOA Paul Jones John 1983AL

ENGLAND (#26, Rich Reilly)

SERMANY (#13, John Crosby)

ITALY (#27, David Frick)

RUSSIA (#50, Tony Barbieri)

TURKEY (#22, Jeff Hines)

Build A EDI. A EDI H.A MOS S turkish F arm-sev, F nat-NWS, F SPA(sc)-mar,

F NID-spa(sc),F POR S F mid-spa(sc),F BRE-mid,F naf-WES.

A mun R RUH. B A KIE. F STP(sc) H.F pru-BER, A WAR S A ber-sil, A ber-SIL, A RUH-mun,

A KIE S A ruh-mun, A PIC S A par-bur, A par-BUR, A MAR-pie.

Build A VEN. A GRE S A ser-bul, A ser-BUL, F tyn-NAP, F tun-TYN, F wes-TUN, F LYD H,

A TYL S A mun, A MUN H, A sil-BOH, A VEN-pie.

A war R UKR. R F SEV. A UKR S A rum-sev, A RUM-sev.

F BLA-rus, F ARM-sev, A bul S F bla-rus (d, r con, otb), F ion-AEG.

GAME NOTES: fall 1906 orders are due.

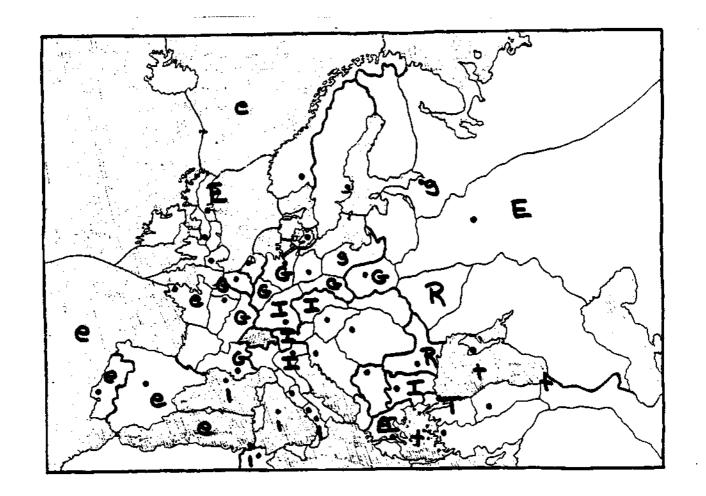
SUPPLY CHART

England: 8 - lon, lpl, edi, nwy, spa, por, mos, bre

Germany: 10 - ber, kie, bel, hol, den, swe, stp, mar, par, war Italy: 10 - map,rom,ven,tri,vie,bud,ser,tun,gre,mun

Russia: 2 - sev,rum

Turkey: 4 - say, ank, bul, con



1983CG - James Kirk - WO4

AUSTRIA (#30, Charles Lobdell

ENGLAND (#27, David Frick)

FRANCE (#16, Nelson Heintzman)

ITALY (#09, Steve Cartier)

RUSSIA (#13, John Crosby)

TURKEY (#04, Pat Pakel)

Build A VIE, A BUD. Has A GAL, A SIL, A BOH, A VEN, A ROM, A MOS, F TRI.

Has F BAR,F HEL,F DEN,A SWE.

Builds A PAR,F MAR,F BRE. Has A SPA,F LON,F WES,F TUN,A RUH,A HOL,A MUN.

Removes F TYN. Has A KIE, A BER, F ADR.

Has A FIN, A NNY.

Has A PRU, A SYR, F ION, F APU, F GRE, F EAS.

GAME NOTES: Spring 1905 orders are due. Seasons were separate by player request.

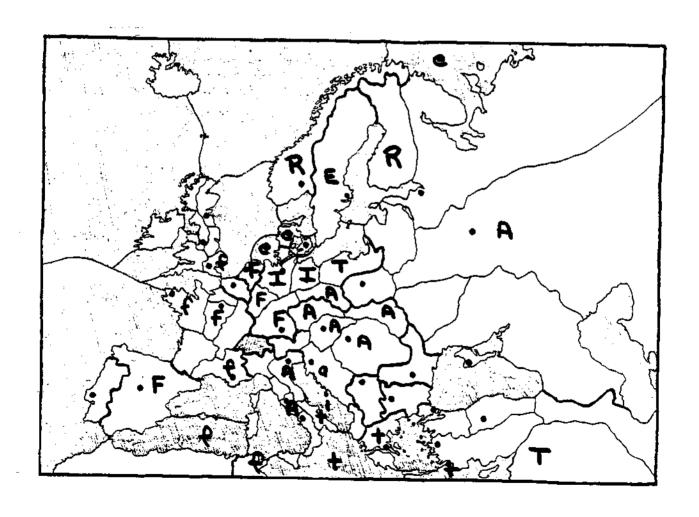
SUPPLY CHART

Austria: 9 - vie,bud,tri,ser,rum,mos,war,rom,ven

England: 4 - lpl.edi.den.swe Italy: 3 - nap.kie.ber

Russia: 2 - stp.nwy

Turkey: 6 - say,ank,bul,com,sev,gre



严口斗 Talleyrand,

AUSTRIA: (#03, J.R. Baker)

F GRE S turkish F ion, A RUM S A gal, A GAL S turkish A ukr-war, A TYL S italian A rom-ven,

A TRI-ven, A VIE S A tyl.

ENGLAND: (#35, Phil Redmond)

A stp-LVN, F lyo-MAR, F mid-SPA(6c), A ruh-BUR, F nth-HOL, F den-KIE, F ska-DEN.

FRANCE: (#04, Pat Pakel)

A VEN S german A bon-tyl, A PIE S A ven, A TUS S A ven, F tyn-ION, F TUN S F tyn-ion,

F wes-TYN.

SERMANY: (#33, Steve Knight)

ITALY: (#32, Bob Sweeney)

RUSSIA: (#13, John Crosby)

TURKEY: (#22, Jeff Hines)

A PRU-war, A SIL S A pru-war, A BOH-tyl, A MUN-boh. F NAP S french F tyn-ion, A ROM-ven, F eas-AEG.

A WAR S A mos, A MOS S A war.

A UKR-war, A SEV-mos, F. bla-CON, F con-SMY,

Fion S austrian F gre(d, apu, adr, alb, eas).

SAME NOTES: Winter 1904 and Spring 1905 orders are due.

PROPOSALS: The "study" chemistry proposal failed (1 for (guess who), 2 against). Also, a E-F-6 draw is proposed.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART:

AUSTRIA: 6- BUD, GRE, RUM, SER, TRI, VIE. Even.

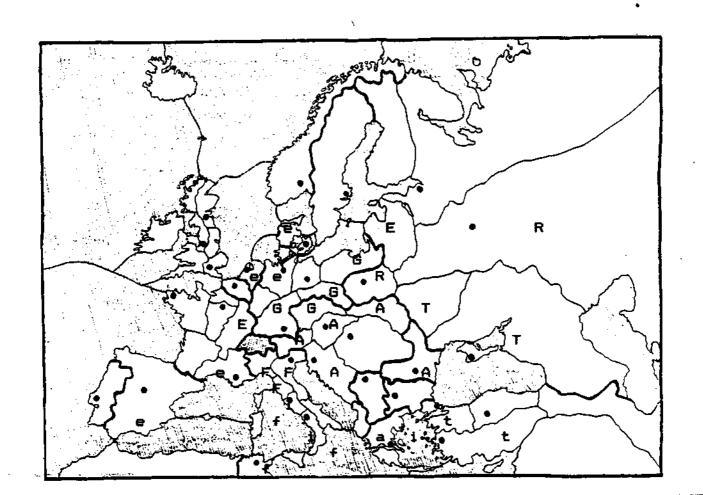
ENGLAND:12- BEL, DEN, EDI, HOL, KIE, LON, LPL, MAR, NNY, SPA, STP, SWE. Build 5 units.

FRANCE: 5- BRE, PAR, POR, TUN, VEN. Remove 1 unit.

GERMANY: 2- BER, MUN. Remove 2 units. Remove 1 unit. ITALY: 2- NAP,ROM.

RUSSIA: 2- MOS, WAR. Even.

TURKEY: 5- ANK, BUL, CON, SEV, SNY. Even.



1982HL - The Metternich, FO5

ENGLAND: (#10, Alvin Kusumota) A yor-WAL, A KIE S french A rub-mun (nso), A fin-STP, F NWY S A fin-stp, F den-BAL,

F SWE S F den-bal, F HOL S A kie, F NTH-bel.

FRANCE: (\$03, J.R. Baker) F TYN S F ion-nap, A RUH S A bur-bel, F ion-NAP, F wes-TUN, A BUR-bel, A TUS-rom,

F eng-LON.

GERMANY: (\$25, Brian DeLaurentis) A BER-kie.

ITALY: (#36, Mike Sanches) F nap-tyn(d, apu), A ROM-nap.

RUSSIA: (#01, Phil Senn)

A stp H(d,lvn), F bal S german A ber-kie(d,bot,lvn,pru),

A MUN S german A ber-kie, A BOH S A mun, F SEV S A rum, A VIE S turkish A ser-tri, A war-MOS.

A RUM H.

TURKEY: (#39, Mark Schwendiman) A BUL S F gre, A ser-TRI, A VEN S A ser-tri, F ADR S A ven, F aeg-ION, F GRE S F aeg-ion,

f bla-CON.

GAME NOTES: Winter 1905 and Spring 1906 orders are due.

PROPOSALS: It is proposed that Munich be declared impassable.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART:

AUSTRIA: 0- out.

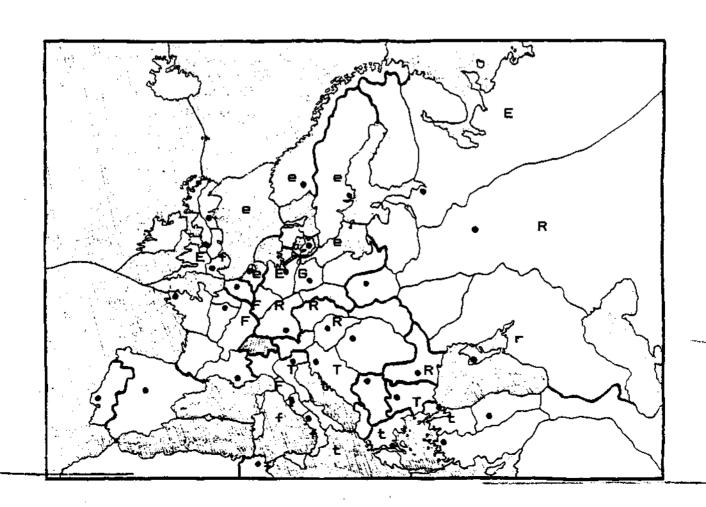
ENGLAND: 8- DEN, EDI, HOL, KIE, LPL, NNY, STP, SNE. Even.

FRANCE: 9- BEL, BRE, LON, MAR, NAP, PAR, POR, SPA, TUN. Build 2 units.

SERMANY: 1- BER. Even.

ITALY: 1- ROM. Remove 1 unit.

RUSSIA: 7- BÜD, MOS, MUN, RUM, SEV, VIE, WAR. Remove I unit.
TURKEY: 8- ANK, BUL, CON, GRE, SER, SMY, TRI, VEN. Build 1 unit.



1983IF - The Covenant, SO2

AUSTRIA: (#05, David Baker)

A vie-TRI, A SER S A bud, A BUD S A ser, F tri-ALB.

ENGLAND: (#30, Charles Lobdell)

F lp1-IRI,F lon-ENG,F NTH S F lon-eng,F nwy-SKA,A DEN H.

FRANCE: (#22, Jeff Hines)

A par-PIC, A BUR S A par-pic, A spa-GAS, F por-MID, F BRE-eng.

GERMANY: (409, Steve Cartier)

F bel-HOL, F kie-BAL, A aun-SIL, A ruh-MUN.

ITALY: (#32, Bob Sweeney)

F nap-TYN,F tun-WES,A pie-MAR, A VEN S austrian F tri (otm).

RUSSIA: (#35, Phil Redmond)

F sev-BLA, A rea-SEV, A gal-RUM, A war-GAL, A STP S F swe-nwy, F swe-NWY.

TURKEY: (\$08, Dwayne Shreve) F aeg-CON,F say-EAS,A con-BUL,A GRE S A con-bul.

GAME NOTES: Fall 1902 orders are due. Dwayne Shreve has resigned. Will Matt Fleming(#06) once again play Turkey?

SUPPLY CENTER CHART:

AUSTRIA: 4- 8UD, SER, TRI, VIE

ENGLAND: 5- DEN, EDI, LON, LPL, NWY

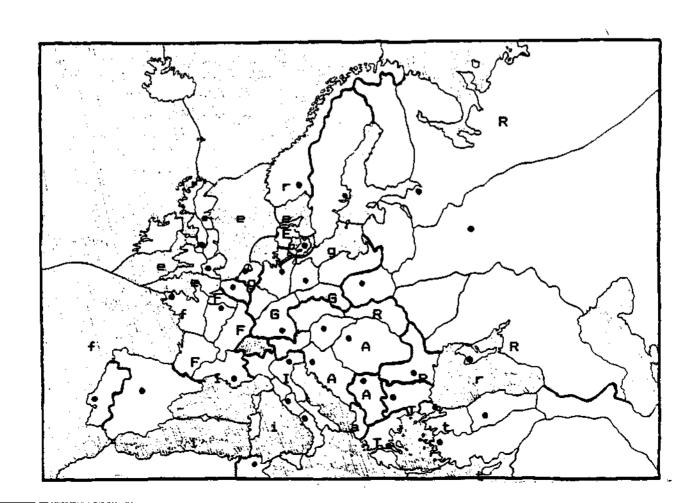
FRANCE: 6- BEL, BRE, MAR, PAR, POR, SPA

GERMANY: 3- BER, KIE, MUN

ITALY: 4- NAP, ROM, TUN, VEN

RUSSIA: 6- MOS.RUM, SEV, STP, SNE, WAR

TURKEY: 4- ANK, CON, SRE, SMY



1983HY - Poor Richard, Fó2

AUSTRIA: (#15, Kathy Byrne) F GRE S turkish F eas-ion (nso), A BUD-tri, A SER S A bud-tri.

ENGLAND: (#49, Craig Mills) F edi-NHG, F NNY-swe, A DEN S F nwy-swe, A lon-YGR, F NTH S german F hol-bel (nso).

FRANCE: (#13, John Crosby) F MID S F spa-wes, F spa-WES, A BUR S A bel, A BEL S german F hol, A mar-PIE,

F LYO-tus.

SERMANY: (#09, Steve Cartier) F kie-HEL,F HOL S F kie-hel,A ber-KIE,<u>A MUN-bur</u>.

ITALY: (#35, Phil Redwond) Fion-TYN, Fadr-ION, FTUN S Fadr-ion, A VEN-tus, A GAL-war,

A TRI S austrian A bud-ser(nso).

RUSSIA: (#03, J.R. Baker) F SWE S german F kie-den(nso), F BDT S F swe, A RUM-ser, A LVN-war,

F BLA-rus.

TURKEY: (\$32, Bob Sweeney)

A BUL-gre,F aeg-CON,F eas-AEG,A ank-ARM.

GAME NOTES: Winter 1902 and Spring 1903 orders are due.

PROPOSALS: German-Austrian player switch fails (3 for, 2 against).

SUPPLY CENTER CHART:

AUSTRIA: 3- BUD, BRE, SER. Even.

ENGLAND: 5- DEN, EDI, LON, LPL, NWY. Even.

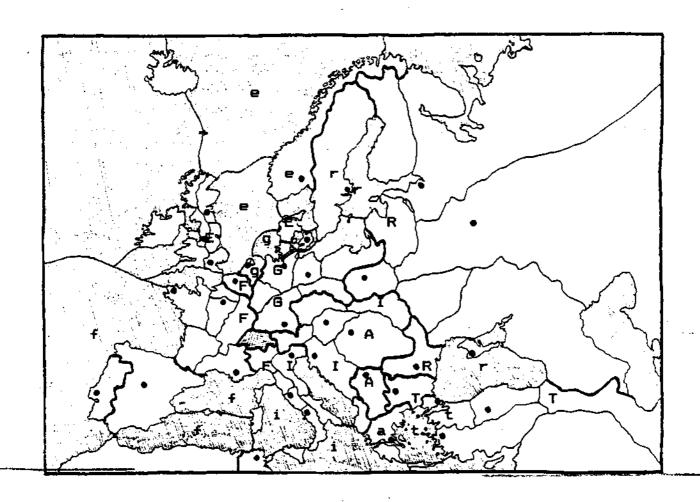
FRANCE: 6- BEL, BRE, MAR, PAR, POR, SPA. Even.

GERMANY: 4- BER, HOL, KIE, MUN. Even.

ITALY: 5- NAP, ROM, TRI, TUN, VEN, VIE. Even.

RUSSIA: 6- MOS, RUM, SEV, STP, SWE, WAR. Build 1 unit.

TURKEY: 4- ANK, BUL, CON, SMY. Even.



Bourse for 1983HY

German Mark was the buy. What about next season?

PLAYER & COMPANY	US\$	A	E	F	6	I	R	7
(#13) CRIME (CRosby's Investment & Mercantile Exchange)	1235	0	1500	500	2000	500	1500	2000
(\$28) Tinseltown Cannonball Investments	0	10527	0	1500	2794	859	1045	11B2
(#01) Sennsational Investments Numismatic Company	496	8001	0	2740	3500	0	500	2000
(\$44) Madame K	1241	2000	B25	1000	3001	1500	2654	390
(#41) Red Stripe	0	0	2405	. 1400	3121	700	-250	900
(#21) Roxxon	0	0	2290	1000	0	1240	800	B00
(\$05) Baker's Empire Investment Co., Inc.	290	0	750	0	5000	2000	1500	1000
(#12) Melting Pelican	16	0	2100	1500	2200	565	500	1079
(#32) Rancid Wretched	1	0	1200	500	3821	1045	2800	0
(#03) IRA (International Russian Account)	0	0	2047	0	3840	0	2500	1000
(#22) Hinesight Investments	0	10529	2000	0	6478	0	783	0
(#51) ANTS (The Austrian Mational Trading Service)	499	2500	0	0	4542	500	1975	3800
(\$25) Zinderneuf International	1	0	693	752	10000	854	0	624
(#36) Mercutio's Mercantile	333	1000	0	1000	3000	1000	1500	2000
Old Value	1.00	3.52	1.47	1.30	0.47	1.27	1.10	0.81
Change		-0.41	-0.27	-0.36	4.52	-0.31	0.22	0.51
Game Effect		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00
New Value	1.00	3.11	1.20	0.94	4.99	0.96	1.35	1.32

Bond, James Bond

England (#09, Steve Cartier)

France (#05, David Baker)

Germany (#32, Bob Sweeney)

Italy (#03, J.R. Baker)

Russia (#26, Rich Reilly)

Turkey (\$21, Rob Schaunk)

SAME NOTES: Winter 1906 and Spring 1907 orders are due. Note that Rob is now playing Turkey. STANDBYS: Pat Pakel (thanks, Pat).

Game Openings

REGULAR DIPLOMACY

Two games will start in an issue or so (as soon as I have 14 players). So far:

- 1. Jeff Sherer (I need a game fee \$5.00)
- 2. John Crosby (I need a game fee \$5.00)
- 3. Matt Fleming
- 4. Rod Gilbert
- 5. Mary Simmons

- 6. Ken Hager
- 7. Brian DeLaurentis
- 8. Brad Pavey
- 9. Rob Schmunk
- 10. Tony Barbieri
- 11. Brian Cukurs

VARIANT - WWIIIL

NWITID is a variant of regular Diplomacy based on a global map with 15 players. If I can get 15 players, then I'll start one here. Game fee will be \$5.00, but send no money at this time. If, however, you are interested, let me know. Interested so far are: Dave Kleiman, David Baker, Bob Sweeney, and others that I didn't write down so they'll have to let me know again. Oh, since I'm on the list of players, you can assume that someone at another address will be "quest SKing" this variant game. So sign up now — for an opportunity to ally with (hopefully) your publisher...

The Fress Column

The Kissinger

(Clyde) From Stettin in the Baltic to Trieste in the Adriatic, an iron curtain has descended across the continent. The Turkish Sultan, instead of snatching the victuals from the table, has been content to have them served to him course by course. Sultan Ali Babi booshi boo, what kind of people do you think we English are? You do your worst - and we will do our best.

(Sayrnia) Hee Hee Hee Hee Hee Hee Hee Hee Hee

(Brest) We liberated the hell out of this place, let's split.

(London) Whatever happens, we will fight this war to the end. Be it bitter or be it glorious.

(Edinburgh) He calls himself the 'N Sultan

For he has never been a gentleman.

An ape san, a cave man, no - a con man.

A yes man, a straight man, but never a lady's man.

A bag man, a flag man, even a gag man.

This pikeman, this Ottoman

Will soon be taken to the hangman.

(Clyde) Master Senn sat coughing. "I've just received another wretched note from the Sultan," he said to Winslow. "He says he is going to use his French ally to force his way into the Atlantic." There followed more hacking and coughing. At last, Senn confidently said, "Well, we are waiting, and so are the fishes.

(Liverpool) Master Senn roiled his wheelchair down the ramp to inspect the new militia. "What's this?" He asked the minister of defense. "It's called a tank. We picked up the blueprints while occupying St. Petersburg, sir." Senn sat, peering over the immense metal structure.

"It'll never float; scrap it," he said as he rolled away.

The Minister was baffled. "Oh, no sir! You see it's used for ground based assaults..."

"I said scrap it!" interrupted Senn. "I want more fleets! Fleets, fleets,

fleets! Do you hear me! This empire has survived on its fleets, and I'm not about to change my mind on some convoluted idea that a college engineer has about 'ground based assaults' and 'artillery'!"

The Bismarck

(Russia) GUCH! My back is beginning to feel like a pin-cushion! Crosby must mean "back-stabber" in Turkish.

The John Paul Jones

(French Equatorial Africa) The fight continues! Political leaders and military leaders of the French Republic escaped

Paris as it came under German artillery. The leaders of the brave French them boarded a boat at Bordeaux for FEA, vowing to continue the fight with the French Foreign Legion. Viva la France!

(England-World) Sorry I haven't written lately. Villainous mid-terms and them a wonderful spring break have been keeping me busy lately. Things are back to normal now, and most of you should hear from me soon. (England-Rome) You'll need more than luck. Maybe if the Pope performed some miracles...?

The Talleyrand

(France-Remnants of Italy) Sniff, whine. You don't love me any more...

(Indy-France) How can you say that? He supported you (and gave you his centers).

(France-World) Attention, class. We are now beginning your chemistry lesson, so look alive. Mr. Sweeney, stop picking your nose! Mr. Redmond, that's the women's locker room!! Here is your first question, class. Remember, no cheating! (Orum roll please) ((Brrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr-6M attempts a drum roll)) What is the freezing point of 250 grams of H2O containing 11.25 grams of noneletrolyte which has a molecular mass of 180 grams?

(France to the World) Have fun!

(Berlin) The die is cast...

(Indy) Ever have the feeling that you rolled "snake-eyes"?

(London) Lord Redmond announced the end of the spring maneuvers by the Royal Navy units in Germany. The units have moved to the coastal provinces to refuel prior to their return to England.

(London) Unconfirmed reports indicate that the British Army of the Rhine has gone ANOL, heading for the topless beaches on the French Riviera. Lord Redmond, ever forceful in times of crises, has resolutely ordered the Mediterranean fleet to intercept the rebel troops. Mr. Phil himself is conducting searches on the beach to uncover runaway soldiers. "It's tough looking for those dog tags," said the Minister of State. "I didn't realize a bikini had so many hiding places." (Chicago-Reston) Sorry about the stab. We had the 3-way wrapped up, but I thought I'd put little excitement in the game. I'll probably regret it...

The Metternich

(Berlin) We are survivors.

(Paris) An ominous silence rose from the crowd today as it was told that a pro-German radical group had taken control of naval units in the channel and were proceeding toward the British mainland...one heckler in the crowd jeered, "Well, the Czar will hit the fan now!!! We can't fight a three front war, it's unheard of!!!
(Moscow) Tsar Senn entered his humble palace. Greeted by his wife, he shed his sable skinned hat and coat.

"How'd it go today, dear?" quizzed his wife.

"Terrible. We lost St. Petersburg, you know."

"Well, no use crying over spilled milk," she said.

"Yes," said Senn suspiciously. "We're losing ground in the west also. I worry continually about the fate of Germany." He poured himself a glass of cognac.

"More men are killed by overwork than the importance of the world justifies," remarked his wife.

Senn stared as he sipped the French brandy. "I don't trust Turkey." he said abruptly.

"The surest way to make him untrustworthy is to distrust him and show your distrust." she said calmiy.

"So it's you!" yelled Senn as he dropped his glass. "You're the person I've been answering to all these years!"

"Why, dear, whatever are you talking about?" his wife cooed.

All this rubbish of meeting in dark alleys, private bath stalls, a priest's confessional box - all for this!

"Now, dear, you really have been working too hard. You promised me not to work so awfully hard. Remember - a promise made is a debt unpaid!"

"No!" yelled Senn, clutching his head. "My country is falling apart and you're making rhymes!"

"Dear, dear," soothed his wife. "Think before you act."

"Ahhhhhhhh!" screamed Senn. His scream turned to sobbing and them to uncontrolled laughter. A complete and unmitigated nervous breakdown.

The Thomas Covenant

(Moscow) Confusion reigns supreme in the capital with reports that Sultan Ali Dwayni Shreve has passed on to that big

harem in the sky. The Black Sea fleet is sending a special emissary to urge peaceful relations between the two countries. (St. Petersburg) The forces of mighty white continue their journey across the desolate reaches of Scandinavia. Despite the potential for clashes with Big Blue, authorities hope that peace can be maintained.

The Poor Richard

(Chicago-Flushing) OK, Kathy, one more time, even though I'm sure you're going to blow it. Again.

(Austria-GM) I vote no to any proposal that mentions my name in the same sentence with Stoogie Cartier!

(Italy-Europe) I need help, guys, or you are going to see the fastest growing France on record, as I go out in glory. (Austria-Turkey) Hey, I'm a pretty good magician. I have you convinced that I write a lot of press, actually it is just an illusion!

(Rome) The Academy of Diplomatic Arts has just announced that Count Redmondo has won the coveted Pinnochio Award as "most lied to diplomat" of 1902. At the award's Ceremony, the Count munched on quiche while asking if anyone had a nice bridge for sale. Kaiserette Kathy said no, but did offer a padded bra in return for a game long alliance.

(Austria-Turkey) I believe you're cute, Curly! But the real question is can you compete with JR - not only is he sexy, but boy can be flirt.

(Austria-Germany) Do you have trouble sleeping at night? If not, why not? Everytime you close your eyes, visions of Phil dancing in his pink leotards should give you nightmares. I mean, your buddy Phil rates right up there with Tiny Tim. (Moscow) It takes one to know one, Honey.

(Austria-Turkey) Look at it this way, you are safe in the corner as long as the hairball in Italy leaves you alone. Home, you are right- you are not very safe - cause he'd grab anyone's dots!

(Austria-France) Why don't you write press? Don't you want to keep our GM happy? Dave's typing has improved 100% since I joined this game. He really wants the experience, so start writing press! The only qualification is that you be able to abuse the flea bitten pasta player!

(Indy-France) Don't listen to her - my typing has not improved.

(Sweden) All the note said was "THAT'S THREE..."

(Austria-England) I'm not sure, but I think you just got caught with your pants down! NMR? YUK.

(Austria-6M) I'm confused. What country is Phil Senn playing in this game? He writes me more letters about this game then England, Germany & Turkey put together. Now, I really don't mind that we have B players in the game, but I can't figure out which country he has. Care to give me a hint.

(Indy-Austria) No.

(Black Sea) All ashore that's going ashore.

(Honey-Cutie) I don't understand why the other players have trouble negotiating with you. I certainly don't have this problem, but then again, they don't have my body!

(Indy-Austria) No comment.

(Austria-Italy) In case you are as simple as our GM, let me explain something to you. Jesse Jackson is not white, just as you are not a sweetheart. The adjectives which describe you best are censored, censored and bleep!

(Marsaw) "Who's that knocking at my door?" said the fair young maiden.
(Austria-Germany) It is not enough, nor will it ever be enough for me to forgive you for giving Italy 3 builds in 01.
Speaking of which-

(Austria-Italy) It is wrong of me to even associate you with a flea-bitten dog - the dog has much more class! (Rumania) "It's only a friend, so let me in!" said the Russian sailor.

(Austria-England(Mills)) Forget about your old age, as JR & I say: We're not getting older, we're getting better! But then we aren't on the line for Social Security checks, oh well, gum it to death.

(Parsifal(England)-#3) At least you could start again from one.

(Austria-GM) You better hope that someone, anyone, except Phil Senn, writes me soon. Otherwise I'll just keep writing press, I'm probably going to be the only player ever who WMR's with pages of press on file!

(Indy-Poor Richard) OK, if you guys don't write Kathy this season, I'll send her your phone numbers...

(Austria-Italy) I bet you even voted for Jieny Carter - you sure act dumb enough to be one of his supporters! (London-Rome, Ankara, Budapest) There's a fly in your lasagne.

(Austria-Bourse) Sick, very sick! Haven't you guys ever heard of a sinking ship?

(Austria-Madam K) No wonder you married Dave - you believe in miracles! I can no more survive next year than Dave can start looking like Robert Redford!

(Indy-Austria) Somehow, I know you'll survive because Redford will never look as good as I. (Austria-GM) I guess these moves are better than none! But I wouldn't bet on it!

Bond Variant

(Rome) Bless you Schmunk and all the little Turkies, too.

(Russia-Germany) Yes.

(Russia-World) The Tsar apologizes for his lack of correspondence as of late. First mid-terms and then spring break have been keeping him busy. Now that they have passed, letters and press releases can be expected from Moscow.

(Reilly-the Master of Chaos) (You know who you are) Welcome to The Diplomat. And good luck.

(France) "The Further Adventures of the Real Agent #005"

After taking a very long, hot bath in which he scraped away the blood and gore of the spider's lair, #005 mounted his faithful horse "John-Bob" and rode southward toward Turkish territory. It was in that direction that his next assignment must be. The Turks were getting too powerful. Something had to be done about it! Good old John-Bob was more than just another horse. He was a valuable ally in any combat situation. He was intelligent and could listen to people talk and report back to his master all that had occured while he was gone. Yes, John-Bob could even talk! He often quoted verse from the Bible when he thought his master had gone astray from the teachings of the good book. Given the nature of #005's work, this occured quite often indeed.

NEXT ISSUE: "Thanksgiving in Turkey"

Bourse of 1983HY

(IRA) Rumors of a new devil's triangle are circulating the exchange today. All cautious investors should avoid any investments between COM. MAR and WAR...

Many speculators will be caught with their crowns around their necks.

Inaction by England will have a destabilizing effect as many conservative investors flee to the mainland. With inflation likely to run rampant, prudent investors should now divest themselves of precious metals. Always remember, keep your assets fluid...It will do you no good to have your money tied up in worthless bonds.

(Budapest (ANTS)) Nerves were frazzled today as worry over new international attrocities against Austria reached a fever pitch. Recent word of French troop movement's have helped deter many suicide-prone investors from taking that final plunge into bankruptcy. Further word on the situation elsewhere in this issue.

(ANTS-CRIME) We who live in the once-great Austro-Hungarian Empire sincerely hope that you are able to run your country with greater skill than you are using currently to guide the investment policies of your company. Long (or at least until I sell all my Crowns) live the Empire! Long (or at least until I sell all my Crowns) reign Queen Byrne.

(MP) An ambitious young man from the veldt Sells pelican pelts from his belt; When put over fire They explode and expire But not our pelicans - they melt!

(Indy) Hames. Did that come before or after you named your company?

(SINco) As the Austrian Crown plummeted more than thirty cents today, a number of investors scrambled for the German Mark, Although the county of England is doing well militarily, it still feels the ills of it's growing pains earlier. The pound was markedly off today, as more and more investors began to store up their earnings in the more conservative US dollar. Brokers were left uneasy with the rumor of a large question mark seen floating in the North Sea.

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